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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF NURSING
DOCKET NO. BDS 12968-2014N

In the matter of	:	
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CATHERINE ONUWA, C.H.H.A.	:	
CERTIFICATION NO. 26NH08673800	:	Administrative Action
	:	FINAL CONSENT ORDER
to practice as a Certified	:	
Homemaker-Home Health Aide	:	
in the State of New Jersey	:	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") on or about February 28, 2010 upon the receipt of information alleging that Catherine Onuwa ("Respondent") inappropriately handled resident M.S. while working as a Certified Homemaker-Home Health Aide ("C.H.H.A.") at Sunrise Senior Living ("Sunrise") in East Brunswick. Specifically, the allegations were that in response to M.S. slapping another resident, Respondent intervened and in an attempt to stop M.S. from hitting the other resident, tapped

M.S. on the head and then restrained her into a chair. As a result of the alleged conduct, Respondent was immediately terminated from her employment with Sunrise.

On December 4, 2012, an Administrative Complaint was filed alleging that Respondent engaged in professional or occupational misconduct and repeated acts of negligence for the treatment of resident M.S. On January 23, 2013, Respondent filed an Answer denying all the allegations in the Complaint. On October 7, 2014, this matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law, with a trial date of September 14, 2015.

The parties are desirous of resolving this matter without the necessity of further proceedings and Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegations described above. Respondent has read the terms of the within Order and understands their meaning and effect and consents to be bound by same, and it appearing that Respondent wishes to enter into an agreement and the Board finding the within disposition to be adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for good cause shown for the entry of the within Order;

IT IS, therefore on this 9th day of September 2015
ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

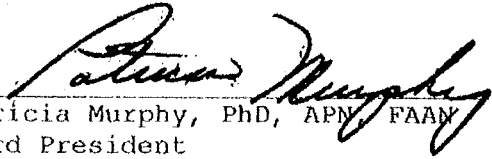
1. Respondent, Catherine Onuwa, is hereby reprimanded for the conduct described above.

2. The parties hereby stipulate that entry of this Order is without prejudice to further action or investigation, by this Board, the Acting Attorney General, the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs or other law enforcement entities resulting from Respondent's conduct prior to the entry of this Order.

3. This Final Consent Order shall be a full and final disposition of the Administrative matter docketed as BDS 12968-2014N.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By: _____


Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN, FAAN
Board President

I have read the within Order, understand and agree to its terms and agree to be bound by them. I consent to the entry of this Order.

Catherine Onuwa
Catherine Onuwa, C.H.H.A.

8/31/15
Date

I am Catherine Onuwa's attorney and consent to the form of this Order.


Chioma Anopurum, Esq.

August 31, 2015
Date